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SUBJECT: NEWS REPORT INCORRECTLY REPORTS EC COMMISSION VIEWS ON
US RECYCLING PROPOSAL

REF: A) EC BRUSSELS 9442

B) EC BRUSSELS 9186

C) BONN 18771

1. A REUTERS REPORT DATED IN BRUSSELS, DECEMBER 5 AND CARRIED
IN THE HERALD TRIBUNE DECEMBER 6 ASSERTS THAT THE EC COMMISSION
HAS "TURNED DOWN" THE US-PROPOSED \$25 BILLION RECYCLING FACILITY
AND INSTEAD IS PREPARING ITS OWN PLAN. KEY COMMISSION OFFICIALS
INFORM US THAT THIS REPORT IS TOTALLY INCORRECT. THE COMMISSION
DID DISCUSS ON DECEMBER 4 VARIOUS RECYCLING PROPOSALS BUT
NO DECISION WAS REACHED. THE OFFICIALS WHOM WE QUERIED ABOUT
THE REUTERS STORY RECONFIRM THE REFTELS A AND B REPORTS THAT
THE COMMISSION GENERALLY SUPPORTS THE US PROPOSAL AND IS PRESENTLY
DISCUSSING THE APPROACH IT MIGHT TAKE TOWARD IT. THE COMMISSION,
HOWEVER, DOES HAVE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS REGARDING THE US
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PROPOSAL (SEE REFTEL A) WHICH IT HOPES TO RESOLVE IN SCHEDULED

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2. A MEMBER OF VICE PRESIDENT HAFERKAMP'S CABINET WHO HAS JUST RETURNED FROM BONN CONFIRMED REPORTS IN REFTEL C ABOUT GERMAN RESERVATIONS OVER THE US PROPOSAL. OUR SOURCE SAID THAT FIRM GERMAN OPPOSITION WOULD BE DETERMINING FOR THE POSITIONS OF OTHER MEMBER STATES.MYERSON

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